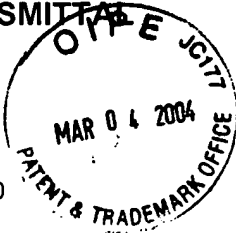


**REQUEST FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL**

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Application Number: 09/889,234

Filing Date: November 29, 2001

First Named Inventor: Mark GLAZIER

Group Art Unit: 3683

Examiner: Melody M. Burch

Attorney Docket Number: 08364.0024

Attorney Customer Number: 22,852

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114: Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, application must request non-entry of such amendment.**

- a. ☐ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
- i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief of Reply Brief previously filed on _____.
- ii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed:
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement
- iv. ☐ Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-mentioned application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of ____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required.)
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. Fees

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- a. ☒ The filing fee is calculated as follows:
- i. ☒ \$770.00 RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
- ii. ☒ Petition for extension of time for (ONE Month) \$110.00
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$880.00 enclosed.
- c. ☒ The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies in the filing fees, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Signature of Applicant, Attorney, or Agent Required

Name: Darren M. Jiron

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Signature: 

Date: March 4, 2004

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Sir:

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Enclosed is a reply to the Advisory Action of January 16, 2004. The items checked below are appropriate:

- ☒ Applicant hereby petitions for a one-month extension of time (in view of the Notice of Appeal filed December 4, 2003) to respond to the above Advisory Action. The fee of \$110.00 for the Extension is enclosed.

The claims are calculated below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
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Subtotal						\$ 0.00
Reduction by 1/2 if small entity						-
TOTAL						\$ 0.00

- ☐ A fee of \$___ to cover the cost of the additional claims added by this reply is enclosed.
- ☒ A fee of \$770.00 to cover the attached Request for Continued Examination is enclosed.
- ☒ A check for \$880.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Dated: March 4, 2004

By: *Darren M. Jiron*

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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

In reply to the Advisory Action mailed January 16, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as set forth below. This Reply is being filed as a submission with a concurrently filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE). In view of the Notice of Appeal filed December 4, 2003, and the request for a one-month extension of time and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, the period for filing the RCE has been extended to March 4, 2004.

Amendments to the Specification are included in this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings are included in the attached replacement drawing sheet. The amendments are discussed in this paper and are also illustrated in the attached replacement drawing sheet.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendment sections of this paper.

Attachments to this Reply include six sheets of drawings including one replacement sheet of drawings (i.e., Sheet 1 of 6), which includes newly added Fig. 6.